

Business News

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10/02/2023 - Construction Spending in August Advances

Construction spending during August 2023 was estimated at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$1,983.5 billion, 0.5 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$1,973.7 billion. The August figure is 7.4 percent **above** the August 2022 estimate of \$1,847.3 billion. During the first eight months of this year, construction spending amounted to \$1,284.7 billion, 4.2 percent **above** the \$1,233.4 billion for the same period in 2022.

Private Construction

Spending on private construction was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$1,551.8 billion, 0.5 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$1,544.6 billion. Residential construction was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$879.9 billion in August, 0.6 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$874.7 billion. Nonresidential construction was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$671.9 billion in August, 0.3 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$669.9 billion.

Public Construction

In August with the federal fiscal year only a month away, the estimated seasonally adjusted annual rate of public construction spending was \$431.6 billion, 0.6 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$429.1 billion. Educational construction was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$90.6 billion, 0.2 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$90.4 billion. Highway construction was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$130.4 billion, 0.4 percent **above** the *revised* July estimate of \$130.0 billion.

BY THE NUMBERS:

| TOTAL in millions: | AUGUST 2023 \$ 1,983,470 | |
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| Private Sector: | \$ 1,551,822 (78.24% of total) Continues under 80% | |
| Residential | \$ 879,896 (44.36%) | |
| Nonresidential | \$ 671,927 (33.88%) | |
| Public Sector: | \$ 431,648 (21.76% of total) | |
| State/Local | \$ 397,601 (20.05%) | |
| Federal | \$ 34,047 (1.71%) Rebounds over \$2.1B, as fiscal year end nears | |

2023 Construction Put in Place Monthly Comparisons

